

Congressman Jesse L. Jackson, Jr., a member of the House Appropriations Committee, announced the House has passed the FY 2007 Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill - the bill that funds the operations of Congress - by a vote of 361 to 53.

The bill includes \$370,000 for the design, creation and acquisition of a life-size statue of Rosa Parks to be placed in Statuary Hall in the United States Capitol. Jackson authored H.R. 4145 the legislation that will place the Rosa Parks statue in Statuary Hall by December 1, 2007. President Bush signing the law on December 1, 2005.

The bill will now go to the Senate for approval. If approved, it will then go to a House-Senate conference committee where final agreement will be reached and voted on before going to the President for his signature.